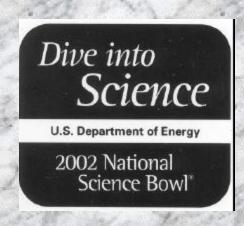




A Snapshot Book

The National Science Bowl®: 11 Years of Promoting Science Education









Science Bowl is a
Math and Science
Academic
Competition that is
set in a question-andanswer or "quizbowl"
format. Teams of
four students race to
answer toss-up
questions and then
work together to
solve bonus
questions.



Students compete to answer questions in the categories of: mathematics, earth science, computer science, general science, chemistry, physics, astronomy, and biology.



The final rounds are competed in front of an audience and with a special guest moderator. Shown here is Ira Flatow, science show host on NPR Radio.

Science Bowl is unique because the participants come from diverse geographical, gender, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. In 2001, they came from 39 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.



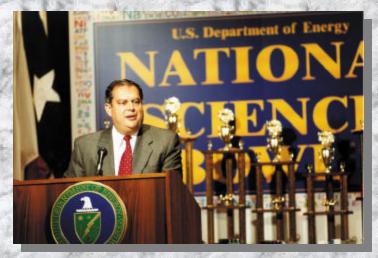
Antilles High School, U.S. Virgin Islands







Science Bowl has had many dedicated sites over the years. More than 15 sites have been rewarded for 10 years of supporting regional competitions.



Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham

Department of Energy offices, government agencies, universities, and other educational organizations sponsor an annual regional competition in January or February. The winners from each regional win an all-expense paid trip to Washington in May to compete for the national title.

Science Bowl is unique among other academic competitions because:

- Team Format
- All the sciences
- Long Tradition
- Run by Volunteers
- Diverse participation
- Target Audience usually studies the sciences, math, or engineering in college



Regional Coordinators

U.S. Department of Energy

Theme for 2002

"Dive Into Science"

- 12,000 students in the nation
- 61 regional competitions
- 61 regional winning teams of 4-5 students compete in Nationals



Thousands of volunteers at the local and national level who make this run smoothly.

Volunteers:

- Coordinate the competition
- Register teams
- Keep time
- Keep score
- Judge the rules
- Moderate the questions
- Review the questions





Studying in between competition rounds





National Champions in 2001

North Hollywood High School from North Hollywood, CA



2001 Civility Award Winner Benson Polytechnic High School from Portland, Oregon

Teamwork and responsible behavior are rewarded with a trophy, IBM ThinkPads, and a science research trip.









Students participate in enrichment activities at the regional level. At the national competition, students participate in seminars the day before the competition. Speakers are professional scientists who cover a wide variety of interesting cutting-edge topics, such as genetic manipulation, astrophysics, information technology, biochemistry, plasma science, alternative energy and robotics.



Science Bowl Alumni are invited back to act as officials. Most students have gone on to pursue degrees and careers in the sciences, math, engineering, or teaching.

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